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1. Activity in the Delius Kaserne in Potsdam (N 53/2 63)

 was described as follows:

 Cleaning of vehicles and guns from 9:20 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.;
physical training from 1 to 3 p.m.; political indoctrination at 5 p.m.

 Assembling of 2 officers, 10 NCOs and 180 recruits, whom a sergeant
referred to as new arrivals, in front of the headquarters building at 8
a.m.; cleaning of vehicles and guns by the trained personnel from 9:20
a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; individual training with rifle and submachine gun from
1 to 3 p.m.; indoctrination at 5 p.m.; recruits prepared quarters in the
made-over attic rooms of the small clubhouse.

 Policing of quarters by trained personnel from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.;
physical exercises of trained personnel from 1:20 to 3 p.m.; indoctrination
of trained personnel from 3 to 5 p.m.; departure of recruits for medical
examination at 8:30 p.m.

 Arrival of officers from Wildpark in sedans
 at 8:20 a.m.; inspection of all motor vehicles of the artillery
unit by 12 officers from 9:20 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; individual training of
unarmed recruits throughout the day.

 Preparing of guns and vehicles for driving by trained personnel;
it appeared that the units were preparing for an imminent transfer. (1)
Indoctrination at 5 p.m.; indoctrination for recruits from 9:20 a.m. to
12:30 p.m.; individual training of unarmed recruits from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

2. the Ruinenberg Kaserne quartered about 300 troops with red-
bordered black epaulets who belonged to a driving school. The other
troops previously observed in the installation seemed to have left. Trucks
 left the
installation. (2)

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- 25X1 3. [] the restricted area in Babelsberg was guarded by sentries with black-bordered crimson epaulets. Officers and military officials of all branches of service were seen in the restricted area. AA guns were still emplaced at Steinplatz and the athletic field. Truck [] was parked at the emplacement on Steinplatz. Motor vehicles seen in traffic to the restricted area 25X1
- 25X1 []
- 25X1 4. [] the restricted area on Paul Neumannstrasse was still occupied by about 300 troops who wore black epaulets. Jeep [] was parked at the entrance to the billeting area. 25X1
- 25X1 5. About 300 troops wearing black epaulets, some of them with supply and signal insignia, were quartered on the premises of the Frisecke and Hoepfner firm on Ernst Thaelmannstrasse [] [] was parked at the entrance. 25X1
- 25X1 6. The pass of a German laborer employed at the Adolf Hitler Kaserne bore [] (3) 25X1
- 25X1 7. From 50 to 60 officers, ranking from junior lieutenant up to and including senior lieutenant, were seen entering the classrooms in the eastern section of the Unteroffiziers-Schule [] They left the school at about 5 p.m. to go to the hotel on Messestrasse. Most of the officers were infantry insignia but some of them had tank insignia. 25X1

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- 25X1 25X1 9. [] the Panzergrenadier Kaserne housed a high-echelon headquarters. [] the mess catered to a hundred officers from the Kriegsschule on Kirschallee. Sedans [] 25X1
- 25X1 [] which was occupied by two generals, entered the installation. 25X1
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10. [redacted] it was learned from Soviet dependents that Unit [redacted] had recently moved from Potsdam to Staaken. The unit concerned had occupied Staaken in 1945. (5)

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- (1) [redacted] seven troop trains left Wildpark for Altengrabow [redacted] These troops probably belonged to the unidentified artillery brigade in the barracks installations west of Potsdam, since the present report does not indicate that troops from the Delius Kaserne left [redacted]

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- (2) [redacted] the Ruinenberg Kaserne still quartered 800 troops with red-bordered black epaulets [redacted]

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- (3) [redacted] belongs to the Kech office on Behlertstrasse, Potsdam.

- (4) [redacted] belongs to the Chief of Supply and Administrative Services of the GOFG in the Adolph Hitler Kaserne, Potsdam. [redacted] belongs to the 30th Gds Gun Arty Brig which is stationed in the Delius Kaserne and was confirmed there

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[redacted] on vouchers of October 1950 and March 1951 which had been issued for fees paid by the newspaper Taegliche Rundschau. [redacted] belongs to the 180th Field Hospital of the Second Gds Mechanized Army in Guestraw.

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- (5) [redacted] allegedly belongs to an unidentified signal battalion. [redacted] belongs to an unidentified unit in Selebei, South Ural MD.

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